
Title: In search of Brigit

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The towns people gave

what little information they had about her, but most of it was just rumors. No hard facts to go on, except what old man had told me. After gathering all the information. I desided to go back and find her. Back to the place were we had met. Maybe there I would be able to find some kind of sign she may have left. I wandered for days in those woods and finally found the site of my demise. Oh the cold chill that ran through my soul, as I looked upon this place. Flashes of the battle raced through my head. I was frozen in fear for the longest time as it all played out over and over in my mind. I was finally able to push back this fear that parilized me, to continue my search for her. On that fateful day, she had walked up this road, so maybe she lived near. I also remember the dense jungle around her tower. Some of the towns people spoke of a jungle to the south of town. So maybe that is where she lives. I turned all sights to the south, nothing could stop me now. I had to climb over an evil looking mountain. Its jagged rocks and sharp drops into the nothingness below would

not detour me from this quest. As I reached the last peak of the grand pile of boulders, I could see the jungle the towns people must have been speaking of. "This must be it, it had to be it" I kept telling myself. I finally made it down the other side with only a few cuts and bruises to show for it. I entered the dense forest thinking the quest was about over, but I was wrong. Upon my entre, I was attacked by a large serpents with fangs dripping with venom, just waiting to sink them into my flesh. I drawed my Quarter Staff and began bashing these serpents from hell. It seemed the more I killed, the more that appeared to take its place. I fought for what seemed like hours. Finally, I look up to see there was but only one more. He acted different from the rest. smart, a leader, if these cold blooded creatures could have a leader. He danced around my blows, countering with his tail. I was exhausted, my energy gone, but the battle raged on. Only one of us would leave this spot alive. This time it would be me. I had a quest to fullfill. Nothing would stop me. I reached down, deep inside to find the strength I needed to continue this battle. Thoughts of her raced in my head, and the strength came. It was more than this poor serpent could counter. Each blow of my staff was wearing him down quickly now. His stamina almostly gone. I raised

my Staff to give the final blow... He fell dead at my feet. It felt good to be in battle again and to win this time. I looted some gold and reluctanly carved a few steaks from thier corpse. I started walking around to see if there was a road. No road, No trail, No sign of human life. Maybe this was not the right area. Night began to fall upon me quick, so I desided to make camp. I gathered kindlin and a few pieces of wood. starting a small fire, I looked in my pack and found the steaks I had taken from the many serpant bodies, and began to cook them. The smell of this horible meat made such a stinch, but my hunger was stronger than the smell. I ate them down fast, before the smell over took my apitite. I retrieved my bedroll to place close to the fire. Hopefully the fire would detour any predators in my area. My body ached from my days adventure,,,a good ache. I crawled into the bedroll and quickly fell asleep. With the sun a quarter high in the sky, I was awakened by the breathe of a large horse looking down on me. *still has nightmares* I looked up to see who the rider was upon this mount. But with the sun at thier back, I could only see a dark figure astride him. Forgeting my pains, I jumped to my feet in a defensive stance, to get a better look. It was her!! my heart almost lept out of my chest. I droped the staff at my feet. She had found

me. What an explorer I had been. She got off her horse, and walked towards what was left of my fire. I offered her some of the meat from last night, but she quickly declined. She asked if she could sit with me for awhile. I just nodded a yes to her. She sat down and began to talk with me. She told me stories of some of the great battles she had been in, and some of the not so great ones. Every now and then I would manage to laugh at her wit. but for the most part I just listened to her talk. I loved the way she told the stories. Her voice reached through to my soul. The way she got so excited, with her hands gesturing in the air, reenacting the whole event, like she was back there doing it all over again. The way her eyes would sparkle as she spoke about her adventures in this land. I could listen to her voice forever. I started to feel more at ease with her presents. My nerve growing strong, to ask all the many questions that filled my head. So much I wanted to know about her and no idea how to ask. I couldnt come right out and ask someone like her. I would say the wrong things or say it the wrong way and she could get offended by me. Maybe she could sense my nervousness. All of a sudden she fell quiet, she stared off into the distance, as if hearing a voice that I could not. Then, as quickly as she arrived, she left the same way. she just said

"I must leave you, be on my way. I have many things to do, many people counting on me. I will see you later, Ok?" She mounted her trusty steed, muttered words to the heavens and vanished from my sight. Would I ever see her again? tell her all the things I have been saving up for her? my heart sank at her absence. "her house, I must find her house" my heart told me. So the quest was still on and with a stronger drive than ever before. I searched all around surely there was something here I wasnt seeing. ...Faint... a hoof print on the forest floor. I started to back track these prints. I came to the edge of a small stream. There was many of them here, she must ride through here alot. She must live close. I could feel it deep in my heart, her tower was close. but where? I began to run, following these signs..hoping to find her tower a little sooner. The sounds of birds began to fill the air. Maybe they were there before, and I was so obsest with my quest I just didnt hear them. I began to questions this self made quest to find her. What was my true reason for finding her?. Was it to thank her or was it something else. Something I hadnt planed on finding. Something I had never dared to dream of. Was I in love with her? How could I let this happen. A woman like her would never give a second look to someone like me. How would I tell a goddess

how I felt, if I didnt know myself. what could I say to her to find her feelings for me. My heart was heavy with all these new thoughts fightin with the old ones. There was only one way to find out any of these answers. I must find her. I began my search again, now with more to consider. I followed the stream until the tracks turned away from the stream, to the west. Into the jungle they lead. Just a few steps in and there it was, all nestled in the trees as I had remembered. I hoped that she was home...I had so much to talk about with her. So much I needed to know and understand about her. I raised my staff and taped on the door....it echoed inside the house.

Everyone thinks that the God or Gods, which ever you believe, sit around, looking down apon us in a all to serious manner. But I believe that they have such a sense of humor as well, it is beyond our perception to understand it. maybe, you would agree.